

GIRL TELLS STORY OF WILD ORGIES

All Night Parties Confessed By Witnesses Before the Juvenile Officers.

MANY ARE INVOLVED

Revolting Tale of Lives of Shame Led by Many Young Girls of This City Unfolded Before Police Authorities.

A brazen slip of a girl, only a few months more than 15 years of age, yesterday stood before the city and county police officers and told of conditions in Roseburg that are almost unbelievable; of wild orgies, carousals and lewdness beyond the bounds of imagination of the ordinary person. Told of young girls, some of them not yet of age, who are parties to these affairs, which have been of long duration, and of auto rides, revelling and disgusting in character. Information was given of a gang of girls, boys and married men, who have been carrying on under cover of darkness gatherings that savor of the bawdy house and dance-hall. The story involves many young girls, high school boys, railroad men, traveling salesmen and others—in its sordid details—a story that one would deny vehemently as being false had not its truth been firmly established.

For months there have been girls in Roseburg, girls of good parentage and from good homes, who have been accompanying married men on automobile rides into unfrequented districts, the officers were informed. A boarding house keeper has complained to the officers of these girls frequenting the rooms occupied by men employed by the railroad. His statement was confirmed by this girl, who young in years is old in experience and who knows the true state of affairs in the underworld which has been discovered. The complaint was that girls accompanied these men to their rooms and remained with them. Not only has this been true in the various boarding houses, but according to the story given the officers these girls have become temporary companions of traveling men at local hotels and have for months been leading lives of shame.

These facts came to light yesterday when the officers obtained information on a recent orgy in which this clique or gang of girls participated with an equal number of male companions. Meeting up town the party went to an unoccupied home on Mill street to which they had access and there took part in a revolting carousal which lasted until daylight began to show over the eastern horizon. In some manner the facts concerning this affair became known to the officers and in the investigation it was learned that this was only one of many similar occurrences and in comparison with some that had gone before was a very tame affair.

Although it has been common knowledge that a very serious condition of immorality exists in Roseburg, the extent to which it has reached was not even dreamed of. Although it is possible that this gang represents the worst, yet there are known to be many others, bordering

SERGEANT MORRIS FISHER



Sergt. Morris Fisher of the United States marine corps is the champion rifleman of the world.

on the verge of the same life. This condition is not confined to older girls, older boys and men. Girls five, thirteen, fourteen years of age have been brought before the juvenile officers and have confessed their delinquency. Young boys, some of them not yet of short trousers, have shown themselves to be wiser in many things than their fathers. Married men—men of high standing, men of respectable families—have been shown to be concerned in these revolting affairs.

The citizens of Roseburg are face to face with a very serious situation. There is a tendency among some of its younger folks toward immorality. The officers daily receive information of facts which are not even suspected by respectable residents of the city. With a purpose of aiding these younger folks to reform, the word of their wrong-doing has been suppressed in order to give them another chance—a chance to make good. Some of them do—others do not.

In spite of all that can be done the authorities are unable to control the situation. When girls of high school age become so involved and so brazenly confess the parts they have played in disgusting and revolting orgies, the condition that is facing the community impresses itself upon the thinking person. There are men in this city who are known to be prepared to leave the city the moment they find these facts are in the hands of the officers and that criminal action can be brought against them. The juvenile court records are full of stories of this kind and it is time that the people of the city awoke to a true realization of the state of affairs now existing. It is time for some action to be taken to protect those of the younger generation and stop such things as have just been brought to light.

Searchers Back From Strader Cabin

Burligh Wright, who has been spending the past three weeks in the vicinity of the Strader Cabin hunting for the body of Joseph Rohrer, who was lost during the early part of September, arrived in Roseburg today, the party having been forced out by snow. Just before being driven out, a clue was found which will probably aid in the search next spring when the snow leaves. About two miles north of the cabin, a large fir tree, was found to have been burned down and was still burning when found. It is surmised that Mr. Rohrer built a fire there the first night, starting the fire a few feet away from the tree. This fire it is thought spread to the tree itself, and caused it to burn. From all indications, the fire has been burning for over a month and has practically consumed the greater part of the entire tree, which was a large one. The searchers had expected to cover this territory thoroughly, but were unable to continue on account of the snow. The search will start at that point in the spring.

Mail Car Robbery Being Cleared Up

COUNCIL BLUFFS, Ia. Nov. 19.—More arrests and one confession, and the recovery of a large amount of the stolen money in \$10 bills, coupled with the discovery of an automobile last night resulted in the clearing up of the mystery of the \$3,500, 000 mail car robbery. Two of the thieves arrested were T. A. Daly and H. A. Reed. Five negroes who were later arrested were released as it was found that they had no part in the robbery. Money, the amount of which was not announced, was also found in the chicken house near the Daly home. Fred A. Hoffenberger, the father of F. A. Hoffenberger, was arrested today. He is not suspected of having any part in the robbery, but was brought in to explain some things reported to have taken place in the Hoffenberger house.

Famous Singer at Liberty Tonight

Don Phillips, well known tenor singer, who was for many years with the Metropolitan Opera Company of New York City, will sing tonight at the Liberty Theatre according to an announcement made this morning by Manager Donnellan. Mr. Phillips and Mr. Donnellan have been acquainted for a number of years, and on his way from Seattle to San Francisco, the singer stopped for a visit in this city, and has consented to appear in a short program tonight in connection with the regular picture program. Arrangements have also been made for a band concert tomorrow night by the Douglas County Band, in connection with the picture, "Life's Twist," featuring Bessie Barriscale.

ACTIVE BUSINESS MAN REMOVED

Passing of A. G. Young Will Be Keenly Felt Throughout Entire State.

WAS INFLUENTIAL MAN

Founded One Of The First General Merchandise Stores In Douglas County In Company With His Father, E. G. Young.

The passing away of A. G. Young, of Oakland, whose death was briefly chronicled in yesterday's News-Review, removes one of the most active business men of Douglas county from the fields of activity, and his loss will be keenly felt not only in the immediate vicinity of his home, but throughout the entire state. With his father, E. G. Young, he founded one of the first general merchandise stores in Douglas county at Old Oakland. Later, when the railroad was built, and Old Oakland left off the main line, the store was moved to the present townsite of Oakland and Mr. George J. Stearns entered the firm; the well known firm of E. G. Young and company was thus established and grew into one of the largest and strongest financial institutions in Southern Oregon. The general merchandise business was later disposed of and the firm turned its activities to the banking business, which had been established by E. G. Young, A. G. Young and George J. Stearns, still continuing under the name of E. G. Young and Company, Bankers. Under their careful management the business of E. G. Young and Company became known and recognized as the strongest institution of its kind in the state. Mr. Young would never incorporate his bank, holding that every dollar he and his associates possessed should be behind their depositors as a guarantee, and the confidence of the people in the institution is due to the fact, that, in addition to their confidence of the personnel of the bank officers, they knew that the entire fortunes of all members of the firm, without limit, was pledged as a guarantee to the safety of every depositor.

Notwithstanding the death of Mr. Young, the bank will continue as in the past, as Mr. Young made provision in his will for its continuance, and his depositors will continue to enjoy the same safe guarantee as in the past. Mr. Geo. J. Stearns, the surviving partner, who has at all times been active in the bank management, will not doubt become the executive head. The people of Oakland have been fortunate in having such an institution founded in their midst and fortunate that its founders have made provision for its continuance.

In addition to his merchandise and banking business, Mr. Young owned large holdings of real estate and with his father and brother J. C. Young, was extensively engaged in the live stock business, and they had built up for Oakland the reputation of being one of the largest and best live stock markets in Oregon. Yet with all his business cares, Mr. Young always had time for a friendly chat with his patrons and friends, and the success of many is due to his kindly advice and assistance. He will be missed but his good name and clean record will live on forever.

Slides Occur on Pacific Highway

Slides are causing considerable trouble on the paved highway between Winston and Myrtle Creek, and considerable danger is experienced in traveling over this road. Yesterday while making a professional call to Tiller, Dr. Hoover was halted by a tree which had fallen across the road. Several tourists arrived while he was endeavoring to get the tree out, and by combining their efforts they cleared the road, but in doing so dislodged a rock weighing between four and five hundred pounds. The rock rolled down against one of the cars but did no serious damage. Several slides were found at various places, and on the way back Dr. Hoover states that he found numerous slides blocking the way. Workmen are removing the slides as fast as possible, but considerable dirt is on the pavement and the road is being frequently blocked by falling trees.

ENTERTAINS WITH DINNER

Mrs. Tom Wharton entertained with a dinner Wednesday evening in honor of Fanny Noland, who is visiting here from Colorado. The dinner was served at 6 o'clock to the following guests: Mrs. Noland, Mrs. Glenn Wimberly, Mrs. John Throne, Mrs. Geo. Wharton, Miss Emma Ueland, Miss Grace Ueland, Miss Clara McCoy and Miss Bessie Wharton. Following the dinner the evening was spent with games and music. Mrs. John Throne winning the prize in an "old sayings" contest.

Urges Admission Of Hun to League

By Associated Press. GENEVA, Nov. 19.—The immediate admission to the League of Nations of Germany and other former enemy states was urged before the league assembly by George Nicholl Barnea of the British delegation, and representing the British laboring classes. He said he knew a great majority demanded that all enemy states be admitted without delay. "If the countries are kept out they will form an association of their own," he said. He also urged the necessity of helping the Armenians.

Former Empress Has Heart Attack

By Associated Press. DOORNE, Holland, Nov. 19.—Former Empress Augusta Victoria of Germany suffered another severe heart attack and her sons and daughters have been summoned.

Present Selling Price to Continue

(By Associated Press) NEW YORK, Nov. 19.—The United States Steel Corporation announced their decision to recommend to the presidents of all subsidiary companies that "the present base of the selling price of all commodities must continue until it becomes necessary and proper to make a change to meet all local conditions."

Alleged Murderer Is Captured Today

(By Associated Press) BROKEN BOW, Neb., Nov. 19.—Dennis Chester, alleged murderer of Florence Barton, Kansas City society girl, who escaped from custody by leaping through a train window Monday night, was captured today six miles from Qonto, Nebraska, while walking along a country road.

Grain Prices Smash Downward

(By Associated Press) CHICAGO, Nov. 19.—Grain prices smashed heavily downward all along the line, with hogs and provisions following. Corn led, notwithstanding that it was already lower than at any time since 1915. It was cut from 1.83 1/2¢ per bushel to less than 70 cents in five months.

Hog Prices Are Shattered Today

(By Associated Press) PORTLAND, Nov. 19.—Cattle prices are weak today and the price of hogs is demoralized, being quoted at \$12.25 and \$12.75. Sheep prices are steady, eggs are weak, and butter remains firm.

LIBERTY ADDS VIOLIN

The management of the Liberty theatre has secured the services of Donald C. Parker, a well known local violinist and hereafter will have piano and violin music at all evening performances. Steps will probably be taken later to have a full orchestra every evening.



Lady Essex, the former Adele Grant, daughter of Beach Grant of New York, will wed the duke of Connaught, uncle of King George, according to a report from London. Lady Essex is a widow, Earl Essex having died in 1916.

MANY CHRISTMAS SEALS BE SOLD

Quota of Douglas County Set At \$1,066.66—Sale Starts Wednesday Dec. 1.

IS FOR A GOOD CAUSE

Even the Most Remote Districts in The State Will Be Thoroughly Canvassed and Big Financial Returns Expected.

Hundreds of thousands of Tuberculosis Christmas Seals were mailed out from the Portland office of the Oregon Tuberculosis Association last week to practically every county in the state, in order that the machinery may be set up promptly and every agent, even in the most remote districts may have every thing in readiness for the seal sale which will begin Wednesday, December 1. Everyone of the thirty counties that have been canvassed for agents for the Seal Sale by the director of the sale, Robert W. Osborn, have responded with enthusiasm. The county public health associations which now exist in a number of counties, with committees in every community promises to be a vital factor in making the Seal sale more comprehensive than ever before, thus not only increasing the financial returns, but aiding in the educational work, which is one of the prime objects of the campaign.

County quotas have been worked out as follows on a basis of five seals per capita, which sale will be necessary to carry on the present work of the Association: Baker, \$396.45; Benton \$387.20; Clackamas, \$1,134.90; Clatsop, \$1,167.50; Columbia, \$698; Coos, \$302.85; Crook \$171.20; Curry, \$151.25; Deschutes, \$481.10; Douglas, \$1,066.66; Grant, \$347.80; Gilliam, \$198; Harney, \$199.60; Hood River, \$415.75; Jefferson, \$160.55; Jackson, \$1,020.25; Josephine, \$382.75; Klamath, \$570.65; Lake, \$199.55; Lane, \$1,080.20; Lincoln, \$304.20; Linn, \$1,227.50; Malheur, \$545.35; Marion, \$2,355.35; Morrow, \$289.85; Multnomah, \$13,753.90; Polk, \$709.05; Sherman, \$191.30; Tillamook, \$438.80; Umatilla, \$1,297.30; Union, \$821.40; Wallowa, \$488.90; Wasco, \$652.40; Washington, \$1,318.80; Wheeler \$129.95 and Yamhill \$1,026.45.

Years Projects At Olalla Outlined

A community meeting was held at Olalla last night for the purpose of mapping out the work to be undertaken by the farm bureau during the coming season. An excellent program was arranged and heads of committees appointed. The farm bureau organization will be headed by J. M. Ware; the efforts for pest control will be in charge of Fred Byron; livestock improvement, including improvement of stock, feeding methods, etc., will be led by E. H. Ollivant, while Mrs. Ollivant will have charge of the poultry project, which includes at least one culling demonstration. A committee on cooperative exchange of wool and mohair will be presided over by A. S. Ireland. Experiments in various farm crops will be supervised by Mrs. P. W. Wilson, and home demonstration work by Mrs. Ware. Support will also be given the boys' and girls' club work. A meeting and big feed are scheduled for Saturday, Nov. 27. The "cows" are to be provided by the men of the community, who will entertain the ladies.

GRANGE WILL HAVE OPEN MEETING SATURDAY

The Melrose Grange will have an open meeting Saturday evening, Nov. 20th. County agent Haslett will be present and speak concerning the workings of the Farm Bureau projects of interest to the Melrose community. The ladies of the grange will serve refreshments following the business meeting which will start at 8 o'clock sharp.

FATHER IS INJURED

Henry Harth of this city, left last night for Portland, having received a telegram to the effect that his father, P. H. Harth, had been hit by an automobile and was quite seriously injured. The telegram stated that Mr. Harth was unconscious and the extent of the injuries was not definitely known. Mr. Harth will remain until his father is out of danger.

RECEIVES FINE GIFT.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Wright, who are leaving Sunday for Long Beach, California, to make their home for a year or more, were the guests of honor at the regular pot-luck supper at the Presbyterian church Wednesday evening. Resolutions were presented by the board of trustees appreciative of the services rendered by Mr. and Mrs. Wright, who have been associated with the local

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Louis Van Iersel of Passaic, N. J. was the most decorated war veteran attending the convention of the American Legion in Cleveland. He won medals of valor during the World War, one of them being the Congressional Medal of Honor, the highest award of Uncle Sam to his hero. Van Iersel is here showing some of his medals to Mayor Fitzgerald of New York.